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### Item Information and Scoring Guide Reference Sheet

The following pages are designed to assist you in understanding how Maine Educational Assessment (MEA) health education items are scored. These pages contain the text for each item, accompanied by the following information.

- MC#: the multiple-choice item position
- **Key:** the letter of the correct answer for the multiple-choice item
- Learning Results: the content standard, followed by the performance indicator, that the item measured
- CR#: the constructed-response item position
- Learning Results: the content standard, followed by the performance indicator, that the item measured
- Constructed-Response Scoring Guide: the four-point description used to determine the score
- Training Notes: in-depth descriptions or particular information used to determine the score

## Items with Learning Results, Scoring Guides and Training Notes, and Student Responses

- John has an important decision to make. First he wrote down the problem. Then he listed the possible choices. Next, John should
  - A. consider the possible results of each choice.
  - B. make the final decision.
  - C. decide if the decision was a good choice.
  - D. restate the problem.

MC#: 1 Key: A

**Learning Results:** F-6

**Decision Making and Goal Setting** 

- F Students will learn how to set personal goals and make decisions that lead to better health. Students will be able to
- 6 demonstrate the ability to apply a decision-making process to health issues and problems.

- 2. Marcus and his father take a brisk walk several times a week. This activity will MOST help to
  - A. make their bodies grow fast.
  - B. decrease their risk of lung cancer.
  - C. build up their arm muscles.
  - D. strengthen their hearts and lungs.

MC#: 2 Key: D

**Learning Results:** A-3

**Health Concepts** 

- A Students will understand health promotion and disease prevention concepts. Students will be able to
- describe the basic structures and functions of the human body systems.

- 3. Sue sits beside Bobby in class. Sue's nose begins to bleed. As she gets up to get a paper towel, blood drips onto Bobby's desk. Why should Bobby get an adult to clean it up?
  - A. Blood may carry certain diseases.
  - B. Blood may stain clothing.
  - C. Blood does not bother adults.
  - D. Blood makes the desk messy.

MC#: 3 Key: A

**Learning Results:** A-7

**Health Concepts** 

A Students will understand health promotion and disease prevention concepts. Students will be able to

7 demonstrate essential understanding of basic health concepts.

- 4. Gail went to the dentist. The dentist told her that she should floss.
  - a. Explain how Gail should floss.
  - b. Explain how flossing helps the teeth and gums.

#### CR#: 4

**Learning Results:** A-1

#### Health Concepts

- A Students will understand health promotion and disease prevention concepts. Students will be able to
- describe the relationship between healthy practices and personal health (e.g., eating well and exercise).

#### CONSTRUCTED-RESPONSE ITEM 4 SCORING GUIDE

Score	Description
4	Student response explains the correct way to floss and how flossing helps the teeth and gums. Response is well developed and contains no errors.
3	Student response explains the correct way to floss and how flossing helps the teeth and gums. Response includes general information rather than details and may contain minor errors.
2	Student response explains the correct way to floss, but includes misconceptions about how flossing helps the teeth and gums.  OR  Student response includes a complete answer to part a or part b. Response may contain errors.
1	Student response explains the correct way to floss or explains how flossing helps the teeth and gums. Response contains errors.
0	Response is incorrect or contains some correct work that is irrelevant to the skill or concept being measured.
Blank	No response.

#### **Training Notes for Constructed-Response Item 4**

#### Possible answers:

- a. Cut an 18" piece of floss. Wrap most of it around the index fingers or tie it in a circle. Using a clean section of floss, gently bring the floss down one side and under the gum line of the tooth you are cleaning. Clean the adjacent tooth. Then pull the floss up. Using a new section of floss, clean between each tooth around the mouth—all top and bottom teeth.
- b. Flossing helps keep teeth and gums clean and healthy by removing plaque that collects between the teeth and under the gum line. This helps prevent gum disease and cavities.

Gail should floss by Paping the Plass around your pointer finger. Then put it between two teeth. After that you should start to rub the flass in between the two teeth. You should rub the flass against one tooth and rub up and down, and to the side of the tooth.

Plaug and food get stuck alot in between your teeth. It also gets stuck by gums, It-goes deep down. To deep for your tooth brush to go. So the floss (since its thin) can reach down and get all the plaug, food and all kinds of bad germs.

a take a piece of floss, wrap it around your two middle fingers, piess with the fingers next to them to tighten it for the floss in your mouth between a teeth and pull it back and forth. Then you move to a new tooth till all the mouth has been done

b. flossing helps teets argums by taking plaque from between teets. Itelps letep gums healthy and cleans between teeth. 4. as back and Forth. Just how should fail floss, hum. Fail should floss back and faith one each toolh to keep her game and teeth healthy.

b) felging deeth and tume... Exactly throw does florsing letter your teeth and games by collecting thing frieces of food and bacteria; that your toothbrush can not pick up. It in all flossing is ever so important to your teeth and games that your because the floss, picks up food and bacteria in beteen your teeth and games that your tooth brush can not pick up.

Gail should flows by bringing it between her teeth and rubing it and pulling up and doing the stuff over and over agian, for everywhole inbetween her teeth. It I thelps because it gets all the crud between the teeth to stop you from geting cavities.

- a. Gra: 1 should put the string between all of her teeth. She should slide the string back and forth.
  - B. It helps get the food from between your teeth.
- 4. She Should floss because her 1 tooth brush missis a lot of germs. and The floss takes care of the germs you miss.
- 1 It gets your teeth clean

5. Justin and Josh were playing basketball at noon recess. They got into an argument about the score of the game. Josh walked up to Justin and pushed him. Describe THREE things Justin could do to avoid a fight.

**CR#:** 5

## Learning Results: E-3 Communication Skills

- E Students will understand that skillful communication can contribute to better health for themselves, their families, and the community. Students will be able to
- 3 demonstrate nonviolent strategies to resolve conflicts.

#### CONSTRUCTED-RESPONSE ITEM 5 SCORING GUIDE

Score	Description
4	Student response describes three actions Justin could take to avoid a fight. Response is well developed, contains no errors, and shows an understanding of nonviolent conflict resolution.
3	Student response describes in a general way three actions Justin could take to avoid a fight. Response may contain minor errors.
2	Student response describes two actions Justin could take to avoid a fight. Response may contain errors.  OR
	Student lists three different actions with no description.
1	Student response describes one action Justin could take to avoid a fight. Response is minimal (e.g., just walk away) and may contain errors.  OR
	Student lists two different actions with no description.
0	Response is incorrect or contains some correct work that is irrelevant to the skill or concept being measured.
Blank	No response.

#### **Training Notes for Constructed-Response Item 5**

#### Conflict resolution skills:

- use of I messages, assertive communication
- negotiate a solution so everyone wins
- talk to a mediator or negotiator
- make sure the rules are clear before the game is started and refer to the rules of the game to resolve the fight
- walk away and seek the help of an adult

5. He could have instead of arguing he could have 4 said Hey why don't we flip a coin or just stort over and score the game on paper." He also could have said This is a silly way to decide who won why don't we talk about this." Another way he could have avoided a fight is he could have said "I really don't care. It is just a game anyway. If we want to keep our frienship this is definitly not the way to decide a silly score. Lets just be who we are and that is Josh and Sustin. We're not some punks who fight over things like this."

Three things Justin Lould do to avoid a fight would be to go tell a teacher or 15k a friend it they were paying atouch on to the score. I labely Justin Lould just wolk a way and not even get into the agument in the first place. Inother things do would be to ask a friend in they would watch their game and keep track of the score and write, it down so the work and to loose track. Those are three works Justin could avoid getting into a fight.

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to Justin could say, "Please don't push me. Why don't we just uplay basket ball for fun?" I Justin tould say, "Don't push me Josh, I don't like it! Why don't we get some one who was watching us to tell us the score?" 3, Justin could say, "Please don't push me, I don't like it. Why don't we just start over if the score is so important"

The first thing Justin could do is just stop playing and the second thing he could do is just try to copurmise. He could also say that he didn't want to play if they were worring about the score so much.

- One thing he could do to stop the fight is don't not back at the other person. The and thing he could do to stop, the fight is work it out. The and thing he could do to stop the fight is to get Josh carmmed down.
- 1 They could have talked instead of fighting.
  - 2 They could have someone keep score next time.
  - 3 They could have went to the gidence Consuler and talked it out.

Justin Could sit down with Josh and talk 1
it over instead of fighting over the
Score who got what and who won or
anything just don't fight over it sit down
and talk about it

\*He could talk tale a techer of and say you win.